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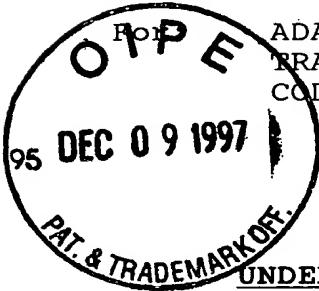
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Sir:

Submitted herewith on a modified Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to applicant in order to comply with applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. A copy of each listed document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98.

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TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

It is believed that the instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action, and in any event, it is being filed before a final Office Action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), a certification is included herewith.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Statement.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Any document listed on the attached PTO-1449 was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the counterpart foreign application. A copy of a European Search Report is attached, setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. The document is in English.

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Applicants respectfully request that all listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialled copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

Respectfully submitted,

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